



**Collaborative Learning Communities  
for Redesigning Primary Education  
Towards Innovative & Sustainable  
Learning Environments**

**ANNUAL MEETING**

# **From Teacher Needs to Systemic Change: Redesigning Innovative Learning Environments**

**Auditorium  
Sant'Apollonia**  
Via S. Gallo, 25/A  
Firenze

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**PROJECT TITLE:** Collaborative Learning Communities for Redesigning Primary Education  
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### ANNUAL MEETING 1 (ANM1)

# From Teacher Needs to Systemic Change: Redesigning Innovative Learning Environments

**Dates:** 06/05/26 – 07/05/26

**Hosting organization:** Istituto Nazionale di Documentazione, Innovazione e Ricerca Educativa (INDIRE)

**The venue of the meeting:** Auditorium Sant'Apollonia, Via S. Gallo, 25, Firenze – Italy

**Online option available via ZOOM Meeting:**  
Zoom link to follow.

#### Participating Organizations:

*University of Cyprus (UCY), Cyprus*

*University of Gävle (HiG), Sweden*

*University of Jyväskylä (JYU), Finland*

*Universitat Ramon Llull Fundacio (URL), Spain*

*University of Ioannina (Uoi), Greece*

*Indire Istituto Nazionale di Documentazione, Innovazione e Ricerca Educativa (INDIRE), Italy*

*Latvijas Universitate (LU), Latvia*

*Cyprus Pedagogical Institute (CPI), Cyprus*

*Ypodeigma: Ekpaidefsi Technologia*

*Epikoinonies (PARAGON-eduTech), Greece*

*Fundació Vedruna Catalunya Educació (FVCE), Spain*

*Keynotes and Speakers*



## MEETING AGENDA

Day

1

Wednesday, May 6th, 2026

8:30 – 9:00 **Registration**

9:00 – 9:20 **Welcome Addresses and Opening of the Conference**

**INDIRE**

President of INDIRE Prof. Francesco Manfredi (online)

**UCY**

Professor Leonidas Kyriakides, ISLE Project Coordinator

9:20 – 10:00 **Shaping the Future: Vision and Strategy in European Policy Development**

**Stefaan Hermans**

Director of Policy Strategy and Evaluation in the Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture at the European Commission (EAC)

**Anna Cristina D'Addio**

Senior Policy Analyst with UNESCO's Global Education Monitoring (GEM)

10:00 – 10:20 **OVERVIEW OF THE PROJECT**

**Collaborative Learning Communities for Redesigning Primary Education Towards Innovative & Sustainable Learning Environments**

**UCY**

Professor Leonidas Kyriakides

10:20 – 10:45 **INPUTS FROM OTHER ACADEMIC PROJECTS**

**Collaborative Learning Communities and Open Education: Designing Inclusive, Equitable, and Sustainable Learning Environments in Primary Education (online)**

**Sara Santilli**

Associate Professor, University of Padua, EQUI-T Academy project

10:45 – 11:00 **Coffee Break**

11:00 – 11:25 **Critical Analysis of Policies Supporting Schools in Establishing Innovative Learning Environments across seven European Countries**

**HiG**

Professor Anneli Frelin



11:25 – 12:25

**ROUND TABLE**

**Systematic Policy Analysis Across the ISLE Countries – A Critical Review**

**Jan Grannäs** Sweden

**Elena Mosa** Italy

**Polyxeni Mitsi** Greece

**Zinta Zālīte-Supe, Anna Ansone** Latvia

**Marina Bernardo** Spain

**Nicoletta Pantela** Cyprus

**Hannu Moilanen** Finland

Moderated by Anneli Frelin

12:25 – 12:45

**Q&A (involving audience online)**

Moderated by Kostantina Karameri

12:45 – 13:45

**Lunch Break**

13:45 – 14:15

**The role of multilateral development banks in supporting education infrastructure, lessons learnt and the way forward**

**Yael Duthilleul**

Principal Education Technical Advisor, CEB

14:15 – 14:45

**eTwinning as a Driver of Teacher Professional Growth and Innovative Learning Environments for Student Competence Development**

**Alexandra Tosi**

Expert, eTwinning Italy, Erasmus+ INDIRE

14:45 – 15:15

**Building Collaborative Learning Communities in Europe: The ISLE Framework**

**LU**

Anna Ansone, Expert

Zinta Zālīte-Supe, Expert

15:15 – 16:30

**ROUNDTABLE**

**The ISLE Collaborative Learning Community Framework. Roadmap for Implementation**

**Elisabetta Mughini** Director of Research INDIRE and Vice-Chair of European Schoolnet and member of the Board of Directors

**Francesca Panzica** Retired teacher - ETwinning Ambassador

**Massimo Belardinelli** Retired School Principal - FCL - Future Classroom Lab Ambassador

**Panagiota Strati** Assistant Professor, University of Ioannina

**Zinta Zālīte-Supe** Scientific assistant, University of Latvia

Moderated by Anna Ansone

16:30 – 17:00

**CLOSING SESSION**

**Summary of Day 1 and Overview of Day 2 Topics**



Day

2

Thursday, May 7th, 2026

08:30 – 9:00 **Registration**

9:00 – 9:10 **Introduction and Opening of Day 2**

9:10 – 9:40 **INPUTS FROM OTHER ACADEMIC PROJECTS**

**Who is Brave Enough? Reimagining Learning Environments as Coherent Systems for Children Development**

**Marian Mahat**

Associate Professor, University of Melbourne

9:40 – 10:10 **INPUTS FROM OTHER ACADEMIC PROJECTS**

**Navigating Tensions, Enabling Change: Redesigning Science Teacher Education for Futures-Oriented Learning Environments**

**Olivia Levrini**

Full Professor, University of Bologna, FEDORAS Academy project

10:10 – 10:40 **School-Level Needs and Structural Challenges in Educational Systems: Insights and Evidence from Seven European Countries**

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Leonardo Tosi, Senior Researcher

Silvia Panzavolta, Senior Researcher

10:40 – 11:00 **Coffee break**

11:00 – 11:30 **Exploring Primary Education Learning Environments: A Cross-National Study of Teachers' Perspectives**

**UCY**

Victoria Michaelidou, Special Researcher and Teaching Scientist

11:30 – 12:30 **ROUND TABLE:**

**Critical Perspectives on School-Level Needs and Systemic Challenges**

**Jan Grannäs** Sweden

**Silvia Panzavolta** Italy

**Panagiota Strati** Greece

**Anna Ansone, Zinta Zālīte-Supe** Latvia

**Nicoletta Pantela** Cyprus

**Markku Hilpinen** Finland

**Judit Amill** Spain

Moderated by Leonardo Tosi

12:30 – 13:00 **Q&A (involving audience)**



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13:00 – 13:30

CLOSING SPEECH

## Educational system school-level needs and challenges

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Professor Leonidas Kyriakides, ISLE Project Coordinator

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### INDIRE

Elisabetta Mughini, Director of Research INDIRE and Vice-Chair of European Schoolnet and member of the Board of Directors



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